

U.S. Congressman Mike Pence gave the following remarks on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives today:

Transcript:

**“Mr. Speaker I rise in opposition to the rule, not just for what’s in it, but for what’s not in it. This rule will allow a vote on three separate pieces of legislation, none of which will allow the Republicans or Democrats in Congress who support extending all current tax relief to have an up or down vote before we adjourn for this campaign season. The truth is, what’s happening in Washington, D.C. this week is just unconscionable. Democrats are putting their politics over your prosperity.**

**“The economic policies of this administration have failed. Fifteen million Americans are unemployed, millions more have given up even looking for work, but now Speaker Pelosi and the Democrat majority want to impose one of the largest tax increases in our country’s history on job creators in less than 100 days. And they won’t even allow a vote on the floor to extend all tax relief.**

**“Mr. Speaker, raising taxes on job creators won’t create jobs, but Democrats are poised to embrace one of the largest tax increases in history in one of the worst economies in my lifetime and it must not stand. The American people deserve to know—Washington Democrats are putting saving their jobs ahead of saving yours.**

**“Mr. Speaker, higher taxes won’t get anybody hired. Congress must not vote to adjourn; we must not leave this chamber before we permit a fair and open, up or down vote to prevent higher taxes on any American in January of next year. House Republicans say, ‘No extension of all tax relief for every American, no adjournment.’”**